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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY
A POTENTIAL CUSTOMER – MR. STEVEN
P. PRAHIN – FOR A VARIANCE TO THE
MORATORIUM ON NEW WATER METER
CONNECTIONS FOR PAYSON WATER
COMPANY, INC.'S GERONIMO SYSTEM.

DOCKET NO. W-03514A-05-0352

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO
REQUESTED VARIANCE

Staff received the Procedural Order dated July 6, 2005. Staff was requested by the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") to file a response to the requested variance by August 5, 2005. In Decision No. 67747 (April 11, 2005), the Commission ordered "that Payson Water Co., Inc. is directed to conduct a system monitoring exercise for 12 months following the effective date of this Decision and submit the following data based on that study: monthly static water levels from both wells; number of gallons pumped per month from each well; number of gallons sold per month; and number of active and inactive connections per month. The system monitoring report shall be filed with Docket Control within 30 days following completion of the monitoring exercises." The Commission further ordered that "no additional new service connections shall be permitted on the Geronimo System until the data is received and reviewed by Staff, and an Order is issued by the Commission allowing additional service connections, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission." Staff will not be able to receive and review the 12-month system monitoring exercise for water usage data until at least April of 2006. Even after Staff's review, there would still need to be an Order issued by the Commission allowing

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1 additional service connections. Thus, Staff's position is that the requested waiver should be
2 denied.

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4 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 13th day of July 2005.

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